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Patent Application of

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For: SEMICONDUCTOR DEVICE AND
MANUFACTURING METHOD
THEREOF

) Group Art Unit: 2823

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AMENDMENT AND RESPONSE TO ELECTION REQUIREMENT

Honorable Commissioner for Patents

Washington, D.C. 20231

Sir:

In response to the Office Action of April 9, 2001, please amend the subject application as follows:

IN THE CLAIMS:

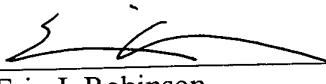
Cancel claims 15-30 without prejudice to applicants' right to file a divisional application with respect thereto.

REMARKS

In response to the election requirement in the Office Action of April 9, 2001, Applicants hereby elect without traverse the Group I claims - that is, claims 1-14, drawn to semiconductor device.

Examination on the merits is requested.

Respectfully submitted,


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